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A JOYOUS HOLIDAY.



RBOR DAY serves to remind us that the history of the country is a record of warfare on its forests. We are planting an acre of trees annually while 50 are laid bare by the ax and fire. With thoughtless freebootery or sheer ignorance we have destroyed our forests with

a recklessness that if continued a century more will turn the land into a desert waste. Is it fair to thus bring on future generations two of the greatest-calamities that could befall them-a scarcity of fuel and want of water? Let a halt be called upon this wanton devastation.

Let Arbor day be made something more than an observance that begins at summise and ends at the close of day. Patriotism that exhausts itself in Fourth of July powder, bell ringing and elo-quence is not worth much. Let the spirit of Arbor day extend through the year. Make the day so joyous and so full of interest and pleasure that children will look forward to it as they do to Christmas, New Year, the Fourth of July and Thanksgiving. Tree planting, tree culture and tree preservation should be considered a matter of pride. Let the reward be generous for those who excel in things whereby the greatest possible good can be accomplished with the least possible effort.

Children love flowers and trees naturally. If their love does not strengthen as they grow older, it is because they have had no means of fostering and ex-

ercising it. But the children of a larger growth do not always fully understand the importance of forest preservation and tree planting. It is not for shade and beauty alone that trees should be preserved and increased. The planting of a single row of trees has often had a perceptibly

Watte the children's offering

tree of minety-seven.

When the sun is in the sky
And insects hum their love
To the flowers that 'neath them lie.
Then, O then, with hastening foot,
Let us seek a calm retreat,

Where to plant with songs to heaven

free of ninety-seven. [Repent: Then, O then, etc.]

priate to the day, the last verse may be sung at the close.

There's music in the grove

with a chorus:

A Tree Convention GROWTH OF TREES.

Exercises and ceremonies repeated annually tend to take a stereotyped form, and they soon become monotonous and uninteresting to those most in need of impressive instruction. The choice of a tree which shall be planted as a memorial for the year or to some man of note is an essential feature of every celebration of Arbor day, and it may be made the occasion of an object lesson for youth and children by adopting the methods used in public affairs and holding a tree convention and election. Methods vary in different localities, but all are based upon one system of parliamentary custom, very simple in form and understood by every guide of the youth.

The assembly may be called to order in the most democratic manner by some one acting as a spokesman for the peo-ple. The spokesman will say: "The first business will be the selection of a chairman. I nominate —— as chairman of this convention." A voice will second the nomination. The spokesman will then say, "All in favor of - for chairman will manifest it by saying 'Aye.'" After those in favor have declared the spokesman will add, "Op-posed, 'No.'" Even when the ayes seem to be unanimous the votes opposed should be called for. If there is more than one nomination, the vote should be called first upon the one first named, and should there be an opposing voice to this propo-sition then a ballot should be had.

The chairman will state the object of the convention and announce rules to govern the proceedings. Then will fol-low the announcement from the chair, "The next in order is the nomination of trees to be voted for in the selection of a memorial tree."

Those present will have formed parties to favor certain trees, and one, arising in the assembly, will say, "I nominate that grand old monarch of the forest, the sturdy oak." This speaker will then take his seat, and immediately another champion of the oak will arise and in so many words second the nomination of the oak, at the same time dwelling at some length upon the merits of that tree so as to make clear the high claim set forth by the first speaker.

Another voice will nominate, for in

OUR TREE OF '97.

TUNE-"THERE'S MUSIC IN THE AIR."

Opening song for Arbor day exercises. To be sung by a class or as a solo

Where feathered warblers rove

There, O there, the soft voiced spring

So we'll plant with songs to heaven Our

[Repeat last four lines softly as an echo.]

There's music to the grove

Though bird and bee and flower Wrapt in silent siumber lie.

Then, O then, each passing breeze
Warts its love words through the trees.

Then we'll leave with songs to her

Our tree of ninety saven.

[Repeat: Then, O then, etc.]

[R. T. K.

The correspondent of an exchange who is deeply interested in the study of forest growth and who resides in Vermont says: "From boyhood I have been a planter of trees for both ornament

a planter of trees for both ornament and use. My father planted a horse chestnut tree on the day I was born. It is now about 80 feet high, and it re-quires four long arms to span its cir-cumference breast high. This tree was 68 years old the 14th of last May. I own 40 acres of choice woodland, mostly maple, birch and poplar, but interspersed with pine, spruce and hemlock. Two of my pines are over 100 feet high and perfectly sound. On my lawn, 22 years planted, I have several canoe birches over one foot in diameter, and in front of another house, formerly mine, stand four sugar maples which I planted 28 years ago, and which I can-not span breast high with my arms.

"The condition of our New England forest trees has always deeply interested me, and there was a time, when locomotives were fired with wood and little or no coal was burned, that I feared for our forests. But that period has passed, and I feel able to concur with experts in woodcraft and extensive owners of woodlands who now declare that there is today more and better standing timber in northern New England than ever before since lumbering was there begun. Many seem to fear that the for-ests are being robbed for the manufacture of wood pulp. Observation, how-ever, will show that poplar trees of the best size for wood pulp can be grown in a very few years, six to ten, and I think it will not be long before the growing of such wood will become a regular and profitable business on our rocky, moun-

"The growing of our native nut trees, chestnuts, butternuts, hickory nuts and even beechnuts, will, I feel sure, soon become a profitable branch of farming. With proper treatment and care these nut trees can be grown in as large quantities by grafting, in some or all of its methods. It has long been so in Europe. I am rather too far north or too elevated for the chestnut to succeed, but I have half a dozen fine young butternuts in bearing from nuts planted about 20 years since and have recently planted out about 50 more."

Minnesota's Example.

The Minnesota Forestry association proposes to begin at once a movement for the preservation of the forests of that state. The keen sighted people of that progressive state seem to realize now the fact which will dawn on others later that the multiplying population and the expansion of the agricultural area will sooner or later tax the forest resources of all sections of the country, and these Minnesota men propose wisely to make hay while the sun shines. In other words, while the waste of timber is going on elsewhere these thrifty folk are preparing not only to husband what they have, but to aid nature in provid-ing more.—Exchange.

Tree Planting Association.

The Tree Planting association of New York city has arranged a plan for the formation of clubs of 12 or more members on every block. Many women are taking part in the work of the association.

New Jersey foresters are adovcating fire lanes along railways; also permanent forest reservations at the head of all water courses

The advocates of forestry have never claimed that it would pay at present to plant timber other than ou wornout

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Present, Matthew Bush, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the estate of Mary E, Bartholomew, deceased.

tholomew, deceased.

Henry Bartholomew, as administrator of said estate, having rendered to this court his final

estate, having renuered to this caccount.

It is ordered, that the 12th day of April next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for examining and allowing said account.

And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Owosso Times, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Shiawassee.

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When there are tree planting exercises, or recitations and addresses appro-

the nominations closed. The next in order will be the election. It will add interest to have the elec-tion by ballot. If it is desirable to prolong the exercise, the balloting may be simply for the choice of two candidates—the two receiving the highest number of votes-and the contest then goes to debate. The judges and the champions may be chosen by ballot or by taking the yeas and nays, as in the selection of the chairman. Should it be inconvenient to hold the convention on tree planting day owing to other exercises, it could be held earlier and some portions of it

by common consent or by the edict of the chairman, will follow the announce-

ment from the chair: "I now declare

A Useful Pad.

sepeated on Arbor day, especially the debate, if choice is had by debate.

We had two arbor days in the spring, and it is appropriate that there should be one in the fall. Some trees bear transplanting better in the fall, and there cannot be too much of this thing. Nothing could be better than to have this beautiful interest in tree culture come a fad. A tree planting crase that would line every street and avenue with shade trees and stock every barren hillide and unprofitable field with the making of good timber trees would at once beautify the landscape and lay the foundation of future wealth. But there are trees and trees.

Our trees need guardians, and tree planting in this country needs special festering. Arbor days help this not so much directly, since the actual tree planting is insignificant compared with the annual destruction, but in awakening an interest in the care, the worth and the beauty of trees and the need of trees culture. The children of today cannot be emlisted in a botter canno.—Selected. have rendered them no longer noxious

what are known as schools of forestry. They furnish a course of instruction that not only includes the technical or botanical study of forests, but embraces a complete course in natural science and political economy. There is little hope of such a beneficent exercise of public spirit in this country. But the subject should receive more attention in our public schools. And as for Arbor day itself, let every citizen enter into its spirit cordially and heartily. It appeals to every race and every creed. Let every clergyman, every business man and ev-ery professional man do something to make the observance befitting. There is need of it. H. A. A.

Saplings of Noble Trees.

It was formerly a college custom, which still lingers in some institutions, for each graduating class to plant a memorial tree to the accompaniment of impressive ceremony and considerable speechmaking. Ancient and common as is this pleasing custom, it is a de-plorable fact that the college campus which depends on memorial frees for shade is bare indeed. Neglect is almost always the fate of these saplings and early death their portion. Infant trees when deprived of the natural environment need, like human infants deprived of their mother, a good deal of intelligent care. Memorial trees, even when they survive, are often memorial chiefly of bad selection of stock or bud planting. The promoters of Arbor day celebra tion do well to divert their efforts to-

ward enlisting the children in this work. To plant trees where they will do most good is the mission of Arbor day, and if well selected, well planted and well cared for as saplings these trees will continue to serve, please and benefit mankind long after the children and the children's children of the youth who planted them have been gathered to their fathers.—Exchange.

The forests of the White mountains are disappearing with great rapidity.